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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: US-GREEK DEFENSE COOPERATION DISCUSSIONS

REFS: (A) ATHENS 3539 (DTG 200950Z APR 77)  
(B) ATHENS 3420 (DTG 151829Z APR 77) (EXDIS)

1. DURING APRIL 25 WORKING GROUP MEETING, GREEK SPOKESMAN  
MACHERITSAS STATED THAT PRIME MINISTER CARAMANLIS AND HIS  
INNER CABINET WOULD MEET AT 1100 APRIL 26 TO REVIEW PROGRESS  
MADE SO FAR IN THIS ROUND AND TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR  
FORMAL GREEK RESPONSES TO CURRENT U.S. POSITIONS.

2. MACHERITSAS ANTICIPATES GOVERNMENT CONFIRMATION OF HIS  
RECOMMENDATIONS ON SIX OF THE EIGHT REMAINING ISSUES WHICH  
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PARALLEL THE CONCEPTS GENERALLY AGREED IN THE WORKING  
GROUP. HE EXPECTS A REJECTION OF THE U.S. POSITION AGAINST  
PROVIDING COST AND DELIVERY GUARANTEES FOR NEA MAKRI AND THE  
GREEK DCS. ON THE FINAL ISSUE OF AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE  
ASSISTANCE, MACHERITSAS SAID HE FORESAW NO MAJOR PROBLEMS ONCE  
THE U.S. WAS PREPARED FOR SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS.

3. THE APRIL 26 INNER CABINET MEETING MAY VERY WILL HELP  
TO PAVE THE WAY FOR OUR DESIRED BREAKTHROUGH IN THESE NEGOTIA-  
TIONS (REF A). THEREFORE, WE ARE DELAYING THE ASSESSMENT WE  
PROMISED (REF B) UNTIL WEDNESDAY MORNING, BY WHICH TIME WE  
EXPECT THAT MACHERITSAS WILLHAVE INFORMED US OF THE GOG DECISIONS.  
OUR FURTHER COMMENTS ON THE ONTENTIOUS ISSUES OF  
NEA MAKRI/DCS AND AIRBORNE RECONNAISSANCE ASSISTANCE WILL FOLLOW.  
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